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**GOLDEN RULE JONES.**—You have heard of Sam Jones, Golden Rule mayor of Toledo. Here's his Toledo political history in brief. He was nominated for mayor by Republicans as a dark horse candidate when the bosses couldn't get together and were deadlocked in convention. Once elected, he wouldn't let the bosses run him or the city. They didn't renominate him, but deliberately counted him out when he had the votes in convention, but not the convention machinery—especially the counting machinery. He rebelled, got on the stage and said he wouldn't stand for the count-out. He ran independently as a nonpartisan. The parties were against him, the politicians were against him, the newspapers were against him—as Jones put it, "Everybody is against me but the people." When the votes were counted the Democratic candidate had 3,000 votes, the Republican 4,000 votes and Jones 17,000 votes. He was re-elected every two years until he died; and then Brand Whitlock was elected as the same kind of independent for four successive terms. The people learned that it was easier to beat both of the old parties with an independent movement than to get the people together in one of the old parties to beat the political crooks in the other. While Jones was mayor and while Whitlock was mayor the

government of Toledo was run in the interest of the people and not for the benefit of professional politicians. This merely indicates what the people can do when they make up their minds to work politically for their own interests, and DO it. Chicago should have a nonpartisan government. When the people want it they will get it.

### ONE OF THE DEFENCELESS.

Japan demands that, even before she wipe her nose, China shall secure Japan's consent, or words to that effect. China has material enough for an army of perhaps 25,000,000 men. But, relying upon her own kind thoughts and righteousness, she'll wipe her nose only when some other nation tells her she may.

**NOTICE IT?**—Who's doing the loud howling about loss of income to the municipalities through operation of the jitneys?

Why, the fellows who fought profit-sharing with the municipalities!

### SHORT ONES

Davy Jones will have to add an 'L' to his locker.

No, Lena, we would not call a young man chicken-hearted because he fell in love with a girl of 18.

Mayor Harrison is the luckiest fellow in the world. After five terms as mayor he got beaten just in time to prepare for the early fishing.

Dean Holgate of Northwestern University says the alumni swear profusely. Too true; we heard a college man say "Oh, fudge" and "Oh, gumdrops" in ten minutes.

The high cost of living is a threadbare topic, it's true, but when we note that the San Francisco labor council has reported, as a result of an investigation, that the cost of its members' funeral expenses has increased 100 per cent in ten years we feel constrained to ask, what in the — IS the poor man going to do?